

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : Annapragada et al.
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Examiner : Perreira, Melissa Jean
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Docket No. : 27428-4
Title : Compositions and Methods for Enhancing Contrast in Imaging

M.S. AMENDMENT
Commissioner for Patents
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Examiner:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated March 5, 2007, Applicants provisionally elect, with traverse in part, the invention designated by the Office as Group IV (claims 25-33), drawn to a composition comprising a first and polymer-derivatized second lipid, excipients, and a nonradioactive contrast enhancing agent, classified in class 424, subclass 9.4.

The Restriction Requirement set a shortened statutory period for response of one month to expire on April 5, 2007. This Response to Restriction Requirement is being filed or transmitted on April 5, 2007, along with a Certificate of Mailing/transmission or electronic confirmation. Thus, this Response to Restriction Requirement is timely filed.